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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(MBHB Case No. 98-627)

In re Application of:  
Ronald B. Lee

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) Group Art Unit: 2665  
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Serial No.: 09/259,757

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) Examiner: Phuc H. Tran  
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Filed: February 27, 1999

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) For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
) INSURING DYNAMIC HOST  
) CONFIGURATION PROTOCOL  
) OPERATION BY A HOST  
) CONNECTED TO A DATA NETWORK )

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2 **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 2, 2002**  
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4 Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
5 Washington, D.C. 20231  
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7 Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2002, please  
8 consider the following Remarks. A petition for a One-Month Extension of Time  
9 and accompanying fee of \$110 are attached. This response is therefore timely  
10 filed.